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A Newsletter for Liberty Lake Citizens

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MAYORS MESSAGE

Summer has arrived and many of you are hopefully enjoying the great weather, as well as taking some much needed vacation time. Final touches are being put on Liberty Lake Days for July 30th & 31st. We would like to thank our local businesses and volunteer organizations for their sponsorship of Liberty Lake Days, which should be an incredible event.

We also will be celebrating the City's anniversary at Pavillion Park on Saturday, September 4th. Please join us in this celebration. As for the Council and I, the season for budgeting has arrived. The national, state, and local economies have been hit hard by the economic recession, and it has had its impact on Liberty Lake. With declining retail sales tax and assessed valuation, impacts of legislation, and structural budget imbalances, the revenue streams will not be coming in to provide the service levels you have come to expect.

We as a community will need to take some very active approaches on establishing what is important to you. Before we ask anyone to contribute more, we will look for all ways to conserve and ask before we cut valued services. Levels of service for police, streets, library, parks, and so forth will be examined. In order for us to.....

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BUDGET

By Jessica Platt

Administrative Services Manager

In the months ahead the City Council will embark on the budgeting process for 2011. The budgetary process emphasizes long-range planning and effective program management. Designing a city budget requires a great deal of effort, careful ordering of priorities, and considerable input from residents.

Mayor Wendy Van Orman, the City's Finance Committee consisting of three City Council Members, and City staff began working on the budget and financial forecast earlier this year. In 2011, it is projected the City will face a budget shortfall of approximately \$700,000 in the General Fund. The General Fund is the main operating fund of the City and provides funding for services such as public safety, streets, parks, recreation, criminal justice, and planning and economic development.

The City of Liberty Lake has not been immune to the economic downturn. Liberty Lake is facing a difficult combination of challenging economic environment combined with longer-term structural budget imbalances, which includes a heavy reliance on retail sales tax. The economic recovery is expected to be.....

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.....slow and the budget shortfall anticipated for 2011 may increase if a proposed initiative to privatize liquor sales is passed.

In the months ahead, the City Council will be considering options to address the budget challenges. The Mayor and City Council encourage residents to take part in the budget process. This process works to assure resources are wisely used to ensure adequate funding for the services, public facilities, and infrastructure necessary to meet the community's present and future needs.

The public can take part in the budget process through:

City Council Meetings, first and third Tuesday of the Month, 7:00 p.m., City Hall, 22710 E. Country Vista Drive

Ice Cream Social, August 10th, 7:00 p.m., Liberty Lake Sewer and Water District Building, 22510 E. Mission Ave

City's website,
www.libertylakewa.gov

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS

By Michelle Griffin
Accounting Technician



The City of Liberty Lake's State of the City event will be held at the Meadowood Technology Office Park which formerly housed Agilent Technologies. It will be held during the August Business Connections Breakfast which is sponsored by the Spokane Valley Chamber of Commerce. Mayor Van Orman will be the keynote speaker, discussing progress in Liberty Lake. The State of the City will be held on Friday, August 20, 2010 from 6:30 AM to 8:30 AM. There will be a charge of \$25 for breakfast and you can register for this event at <http://www.spokanevalleychamber.org/index.php/register-online>.

LIBERTY LAKE YOUTH COMMISSION:

Come be a part of the Liberty Lake Youth Commission.

Applications are now being accepted. Applicants must be enrolled in grades 8 through 12 and must reside within the boundaries of Central Valley School District. Length of term is two years. Seniors appointed during their senior year shall serve one year. Visit our website for more information.



~Liberty Lake Community~ **BLOOD DRIVE!**

Saturday, July 31st
9:00am – 11:00am

**This summer give the most
important gift one person
can give to another
"The gift of Life!"**

*Please bring photo
identification and drink plenty
of fluids before your donation.*

*It is recommended you eat a
nutritious meal 2 to 4 hours
before your arrival.*

*For more information, please
call INBC at 1-800-423-0151
or visit www.inbc2.org.*

**When was the last time you
saved a life?**

**Liberty Lake Community
Blood Drive will be held on
Saturday – July 31st
9:00am to 11:00am
Greenstone Homes**

**You can sign up with
our all new online
scheduling system!
Sponsor Code is:
libertylakecomm**



**Inland Northwest
Blood Center**

It's About Life!

STORY TIMES

By Amy Dickeson
Children's Librarian



Tuesdays
10:30am
Toddler/Preschool
Story Time
18+ months
Aug 3 & 10

Wednesday Aug 4
6:00pm
Movie Night!
All Ages



Friday Aug 6
10:15am
Baby Laptime
Ages 9 months—24 months

11:00am
Toddler/Preschool Stories & Songs
18 months and up

1:00pm
Stories and Crafts
3 years and up



LIBRARY UPDATES

By Tracy Rebstock
Librarian

SUMMER READING CARNIVAL:

The Summer Reading Carnival will be Thursday August 12th from 5:30-7:30pm at Pavillion Park. There will be games and prizes. Fun for the whole family. Thanks to the Friends of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library for making this event possible!

LEGO MINDSTORM SESSIONS:

The Library will have two Lego Mindstorm sessions in August. The first session is August 21st at 10:30am and will last about an hour. This event is for 10-14 year olds. There is limited space so information on how to RSVP to this event will be available on the Library's website.

The second session is August 28th at 10:30am and will also last about an hour. Participants are encouraged to come to both sessions.



Come see us at the library!

23123 E. Mission Ave
Liberty Lake, WA 99019
Phone: (509) 232-2510
Fax: (509) 232-2512

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT:

Just a reminder, the last Family Movie night at the Library will be August 4th. We will be showing March of the Penguins.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM:

The summer reading programming ends after the carnival on August 12th but participants can continue to read and turn in logs for prizes. The final date to turn in logs and pick up prizes will be Saturday August 21st.

We will announce top readers in the Independent and Teen Reader areas the week of August 23rd. Thank you so much for everyone's participation in this years summer reading event!

Again, we would like to thank the Friends of the Liberty Lake Municipal Library for their help in making the Summer Reading Program a success by providing funds to purchase materials, prizes, and books!

NEW STORYTIMES TO BE ANNOUNCED:

A new storytime schedule will start in September after Labor Day. Please check the Library website for updates on dates and times.

MORE INFORMATION:

For more information on our programs and events, please visit the library's website at: www.libertylakewa.gov/library or come visit us at the library.

Q & A

HOW TO SUBMIT A QUESTION?

One of my goals as Mayor of Liberty Lake is to be as open as I can and give answers to some questions you may have. Hence, this special Question and Answer section in our newsletter gives you the chance to get those questions answered directly by me. Please send questions you may have to: wvanorman@libertylakewa.gov. I will try to answer most of your questions in upcoming newsletters. Until then, I look forward to meeting you.

MAYOR VAN ORMAN



To read Questions & Answers visit our Q & A Web Page: www.libertylakewa.gov/questions

Question to the Mayor:

"I read in the Splash about the new construction of Musselman Rentals & Sales. Why would they build a Caterpillar equipment business next to a day care, urgent care and other such businesses, doesn't Liberty Lake have zoning requirements?"

Answer from the Mayor:

"Thanks for the question, there are actually two new construction projects along the freeway right now. Musselman Rentals & Sales is being built next to Mario & Sons, off Appleway, at the east end of the City in an area zoned for freeway commercial type uses.

The other new construction project, in the area you are referring to, is Baker Construction's Commons Phase 4 Professional Building. It is being constructed next to Kidds Dental in the Liberty Lake Commons Development which is zoned for mixed use. I spoke with Baker Construction and the building will house Columbia Medical Associates, U District Physical Therapy, Imaging, MRI, and CT, Whispering Falls Medical Massage Therapy, PAML Laboratory, and it still has 6,000 sq. ft. available for other similar uses. The building is set to open around Christmas or the first of the year."



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.....keep our quality of life, we will need to invest in our community.

Services such as Police, Streets, Library, Parks etc. will need to be invested into or reassess as a community our level of service. Please look at our website

www.libertylakewa.gov and give the council input on this important upcoming budget. We have many choices to make, but this is a community decision and we very much look forward to your input.

Our City is resilient, our people are resourceful, and our opportunities for success unlimited. Working together, we will meet any challenge and, in so doing, we will ensure a community that offers our children a place to fulfill their highest hopes, aspirations and dreams.

Mayor Wendy Van Orman

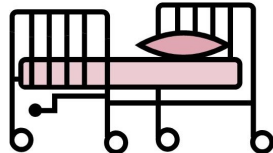
ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

Come join us, the council and myself, as we will be hosting a question and answer forum with free ice cream. Come meet everyone and see those representing you on Tuesday, August 10 @ 7pm at the Liberty Lake Water and Sewer District Building (Denny Ashlock Building). Looking forward to seeing you.

LIBERTY LAKE DAYS 2010

**SATURDAY, JULY 31ST AT PAVILLION PARK
(CORNER OF MOLTER & COUNTRY VISTA)**

Parking Shuttle Available from Liberty Lake Elementary School!!



BED RACES 9AM

(pre-registration by
July 15th required for
bed races)



Free Carnival Games!!
11am - 4pm



Prizes!!

Music!!



Displays!!



Liberty Lake Days Car Show

11am - 4pm
Free Registration
Open to All Classic or
Collectible Vehicles



Registration 11am - 1pm
Awards 3:30pm
"People's Choice Awards"
Valve Cover Races at Noon!!

Free Contests!!

• **Egg Toss -**
11am & 1pm



• **Tricycle Race -**
11:30am & 1:30pm
(please bring your own
tricycle / big wheel)

• **3 Legged Race -**
12pm & 2pm



• **Gunny Sack Race -**
12:30pm & 2:30pm

• **Cake Walk - 3pm**



• **Pie-Eating - 3:30pm**
(pre-registration by July
15th required for pie-eating)



40+Vendor Booths!!

Model Car Display & Contest

Presented by Scale Auto Builders of Spokane



Registration 11am - 12:30pm

Open to All Ages w/ People's
Choice Awards at 2:30pm

Lots of model cars on display from the
twenties to present - hot rods, street
machines, race cars, & customs

Liberty Lake Days 2010
is sponsored by the
City of Liberty Lake, Local
Businesses, and Liberty Lake
Kiwanis, Rotary, & Lions Clubs.

Special Thanks to the Misfires Auto Group

For more information on the
Liberty Lake Days Events or
Registrations, please contact
Amanda Tainio at Liberty Lake
City Hall (509) 755-6708 or
www.libertylakewa.gov

Liberty Lake Days 2010

Friday Night Car Cruise



FRIDAY, JULY 30TH, 7PM - 9PM



REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 6:30PM AT MEADOWWOOD LN. & MISSION

BRING YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY TO DOWNTOWN LIBERTY LAKE TO CRUISE
& YOUR LAWN CHAIRS TO WATCH THE CARS ALONG LIBERTY LAKE ROAD!

GET INVOLVED WITH THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE

Regular City Meetings:

City Council
1st & 3rd Tuesday of every month
City Hall Council Chambers
22710 E. Country Vista Dr
7:00pm—10:00pm

City Planning Commission
2nd Wednesday of every month
City Hall Council Chambers
22710 E. Country Vista Dr
4:00pm—6:00pm

Community Organizations/Meetings:

Central Valley School Dist—Board Meeting
2nd & 4th Monday of every month
CVSD Main Office
19307 E. Cataldo Ave
6:30pm—7:30pm

Friends of Pavillion Park—Board Meeting
1st Thursday of every month
Greenstone Building, 2nd floor
1401 N. Meadowood Lane, Suite 200
7:00pm—8:00pm

Kiwanis Club of Liberty Lake
Every Wednesday
City Hall Council Chambers
22710 E. Country Vista Dr
6:45am—8:00am

Lions Club of Liberty Lake
Future Meetings Contact Information:
Tony Cheshier
(509) 879-9474

Liberty Lake Centennial Rotary Club
Every Thursday
Denny Ashlock Building
22510 E. Mission Ave
12:00pm—1:00pm

Liberty Lake Municipal Library Board of Trustees
1st Thursday of every month
Liberty Lake Municipal Library
23123 E. Mission Ave
6:30pm—7:30pm

S.C.O.P.E.
1st Wednesday of every month
City Hall Council Chambers
22710 E. Country Vista Dr
6:30pm—8:00pm

Youth Commission
1st & 3rd Mondays of every month
City Hall Council Chambers
22710 E. Country Vista Dr
7:30pm—8:30pm

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